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# **Steamboat Area National Forest Road and Trail Projects Continue**

(Steamboat Springs, CO. - July 16, 2012) – Multiple forest management projects are continuing across the Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District (HPBE) of the Routt National Forest. Projects include road maintenance, hazard tree removal from roadsides and trails, as well as fuels reduction and thinning.

Some projects have already been completed, while others are still resulting in temporary road and trail closures. Visitors should be aware that this is a very active program of work. Limited access and motorized recreational opportunities are likely for some Forest users.

Below is a listing of current National Forest System Road (NFSR) and Trail (NFST) closures, as well as anticipated closures, which will be occurring throughout the 2012 summer season on the HPBE Ranger District. More details will be released as additional closures become imminent.

## Buffalo Pass Road (NFSR 60) is open.

### These trails will remain open for the season as operations are generally complete:

- Portions of 1101 Wyoming Trail from NFSR 400 (Seedhouse) to NFSR 44 (Diamond Park)
- Portion of 1189 North Fork Trail from NFSR 400 (Seedhouse) to NFSR 44 (Diamond Park)

#### Current road and trail closures due to logging:

- **CLOSED:** NFSR 251 and associated spur roads including the 303 road series. Rolling closure as work is implemented. Harrison Creek area of Rabbit Ears Pass.
- **CLOSED:** NFSR 505/520 Big Red Park area.
- **CLOSED:** portions NFST 1199 from Junction 1101 to intersection of NFSR 520 near Big Red Park area. Closure in conjunction with 505/520 closure.
- CLOSED: NFSR 310 Summit of Buffalo Pass to Fish Creek Reservoir
- CLOSED: NFST 1156 Prospector Trail from HWY 129 Trailhead to the east; from HWY 129 to NFSR 410. Closed until mid-July.

## **Anticipated/Upcoming Road and Trail closures:**

\*Some roads/trails have opened temporarily, but will be reclosed in the near future.

- NFSR 433, 44 in the Lost Dog area north of Seedhouse Campground
- NFSR 430 Hinman
- NFSR 508 Elk Horn Mnt. area
- NFSR 311 Dumont Lake area
- NFSR 511 Crane Park area
- NFSR 412/507 Whiskey Park area

- 1177 Hinman Trail in conjunction with NFSR 430 closure
- Portions of NFST 1149 trail system in conjunction with Elk Horn Mtn closure 508
- Additional portions of 1197 Elk Horn Mt. in conjunction with NSFR 508, 412/507 closures

Please call the HPBE Ranger District at 970-870-2149 to inquire about current conditions and to check the status of work in the area you plan to visit. Updates will continue to occur as activities change, road/trails close and then re-open.

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